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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 2 of page 8 with the following amended paragraph:

As shown in FIGS. 7 to 9 and 11, the housing 52 of the rotary damper 51 is formed from a body 71 and a cap 72. A fan-shaped recessed part 73 is formed on the top face of the body 71, and this recessed part 73 is covered by the cap 72 to form an oil chamber 74a. The oil chamber 74 is divided into left and right oil chambers 74a and 74b by a vane 75. As shown in FIG. 10, the base part 75a of the vane 75 is formed in a cylindrical shape, and the shaft 53 is linked in a fixed state to this cylindrical part so that the shaft 53 rotates together with the vane 75 via a fastener such as a spline or the like. The vane 75 is supported such that it is able to oscillate in relation to the housing 52 by means of the shaft 53. Moreover, the shaft 53 is supported such that it is able to rotate freely via the ~~bushes~~ bushings 78 and 80 of the bearings 71a and 72a provided in the body 71 and cap 72 (see FIG. 14).

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 16 of page 9 with the following amended paragraph:

The ~~bush~~ bushing 78 is fitted at the top part of the location wherein the washer 77a for sealing the shaft 53 is fitted, and a circlip 79 is fitted at the bottom part of the location wherein the sealing washer 77a is fitted. Moreover, the ~~bush~~ bushing 80 and an oil seal 81 are respectively fitted at the bottom part of the location wherein the sealing washer 77b for sealing the bottom side of shaft 53 is fitted.